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25 October 1973

Mr. John W. Burke, Jr. Executive Secretary The Business Council 888 Seventeenth Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Jack:

Thank you so much for the very pleasant time at the Business Council. Our visit was very short, but it was certainly a great honor and pleasure to see you, Mr. Packard, several old friends and to make a number of new ones. The arrangements were perfect, and we had a very enjoyable time.

Many thanks again.

Sincerely,

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W. E. Colby Director

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Mr. John W. Burke, Jr., Executive Secretary The Business Council 888 Seventeenth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Burke:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of August 27th.

Mr. Helms indeed told me about The Business Council, which he held in very high regard. I am flattered that Mr. Packard suggested an invitation to me and Mrs. Colby to visit with you in October.

I do have a complication, as I have agreed to make a trip abroad beginning on Saturday evening, October 13th. Consequently, I suggest that, with Mr. Packard's permission, my wife and I might arrive in time for the evening reception and dinner on Friday, the 12th, but depart in the morning in order to clean up some last-minute affairs before leaving the country in the evening. This would be a very short exposure, but I would particularly appreciate the opportunity to see Mr. Packard again and to make the acquaintance of you and other members who might be there at the time. Perhaps on another occasion I could contribute a bit more to the meeting myself.

If this would be agreeable, I would appreciate your informing me of any arrangements I should make along these lines.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable William Colby Director of Central Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Colby:

You are perhaps acquainted with The Business Council, especially from Mr. Richard Helms, who, I believe, attended almost every meeting that we held during his years as Director of Central Intelligence.

As part of our regular programming, we hold spring and fall meetings at The Homestead in Hot Springs, Virginia, to which we invite a dozen or so high-ranking government guests who are not asked to appear as speakers. In the hope that you would find such a meeting to be of interest, Mr. David Packard. our Chairman, has asked that I extend a cordial invitation to you and Mrs. Colby to join with the Council when it meets in October.

We will open the meeting with an informal reception on Thursday evening, October 11th, and will continue with morning business sessions and black-tie dinners on Friday and Saturday, the 12th and 13th. We would, of course, be delighted to have you and Mrs. Colby with us for the entire meeting, but, if this if not possible, you would both be welcome for whatever time you could spare away from your official duties. Hotel accommodations would be arranged by this office.

It would be a pleasure to have you and Mrs. Colby with us and I am sure you both would enjoy the weekend. I shall look forward to hearing from you at your early convenience.

Sincerely,

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